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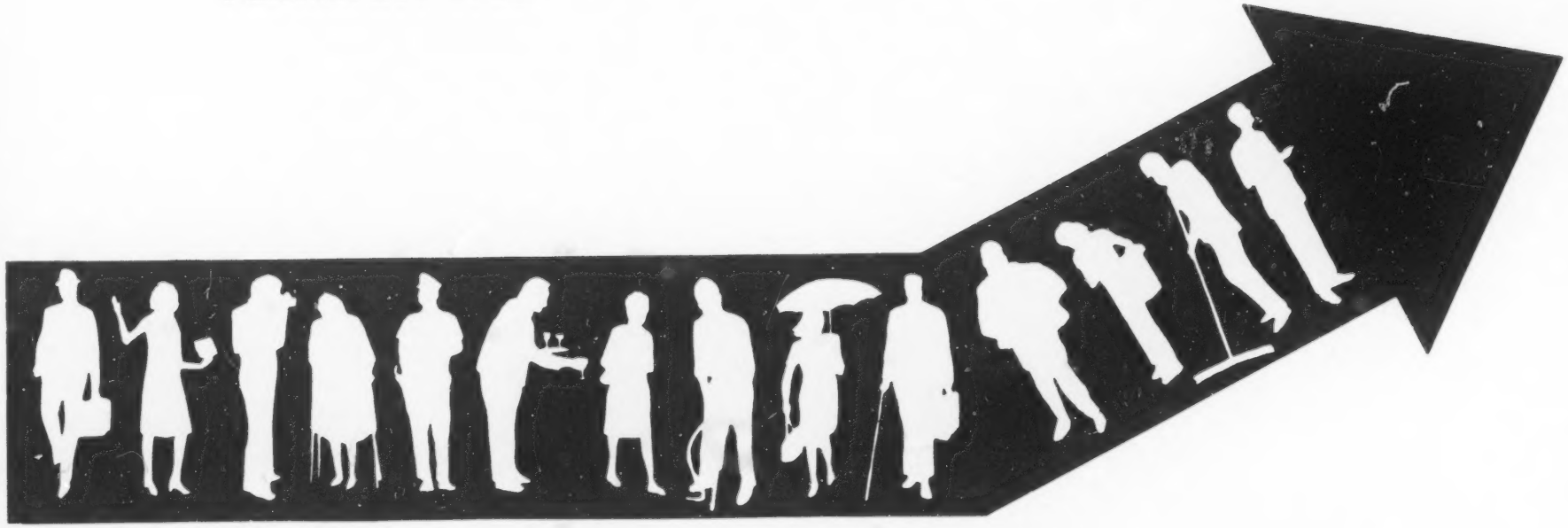

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Division of Employment
Research and Statistics

QUESTION: Where do we get the employment data contained in this publication?

ANSWER: From **YOU** — the employer!

The Nebraska Department of Labor, Division of Employment, would like to take this opportunity to extend our gratitude and appreciation to those cooperating employers who provide us with requested data.

This makes it possible for us to supply information necessary for planning and decision-making to Nebraska employers, governmental units, labor organizations, and other individuals and agencies with a need to know about the Nebraska labor force and industrial composition.

ANNOUNCEMENT

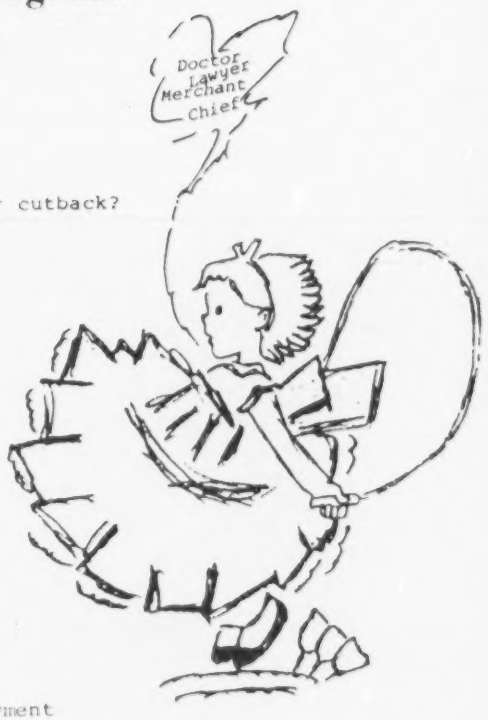
Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) Program

We are often asked for Nebraska:

What is the occupational mix within a specific industry?

What is the occupational makeup in the total labor force?

What occupations tend to be impacted by industrial expansion or cutback?



We do not have answers to these questions - - - - - which is the reason we need to add occupational information to our data bank for your occupational planning needs.

Basic occupational employment statistics program information is presented on the reverse side in a question and answer format.

OCCUPATIONAL EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

FACT SHEET

QUESTION:	ANSWER:
Will all firms within an industry be sampled?	No. From each industry approximately a 10% random sample will be drawn.
What is the survey plan?	This year (1983) a sampling of manufacturing establishments and all hospitals will receive a survey form. A sampling of nonmanufacturing establishments (construction/mining; finance, insurance and real estate; transportation, communication and utilities; and services) are scheduled to receive a survey form in 1984. A sampling of the balance of nonmanufacturing establishments will receive a survey form in 1985.
Will agriculture be included in the sample?	No. However, agricultural services, as opposed to agriculture per se will be included in the sample.
When will the questionnaires be mailed to the manufacturing and hospital establishments in 1983?	One-third of the manufacturing establishments in the sample will receive a questionnaire in May, one-third in June, and one-third in July. All hospitals will receive a questionnaire in May.
Will survey results be published?	Yes. Occupational information will be published by industry (no firm identification) as each survey cycle is completed.
How will the business community benefit?	Employers who request occupational information tell us that business establishments who have to depend on interests, talents, and skills of workers have a need for occupational information. Educators and trainers use occupational information to assist them to prepare students for occupations that are realistic in terms of labor market demand. Occupational information is a vital tool for personnel management.
How will the general public benefit?	Workers preparing for a job or looking for a job need to know about occupations available in the labor force to choose occupations that they can perform, are willing to perform, and can derive satisfaction from performing. Occupational information is basic to effective vocational counseling and career guidance.
Is this a mandatory program?	No. EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION IS STRICTLY VOLUNTARY. Your reply will be kept in strict confidence.

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NEBRASKA

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1/]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Changed From:	
	Feb 1983	Jan 1983	Feb 1982	Jan 1983	Feb 1982
Civilian Labor Force	779,417	770,671	762,707	8,746	16,710
Employment	717,638	709,095	714,320	8,543	3,318
Nonfarm	656,460	649,294	656,519	7,166	- 59
Farm	61,178	59,801	57,801	1,377	3,377
Unemployment	61,779	61,576	48,387	203	13,392
Unemployment Rate [2/]	7.9	8.0	6.3	- 0.1	1.6

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1982 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Nebraska civilian labor force increased by 8,746 from January 1983 to February 1983, and also increased year-to-year by 16,710. Total employment increased by 8,543 month-to-month, and also increased by 3,318 from February 1982 to February 1983. Nonfarm employment increased by 7,166, but decreased slightly (59) from February 1982 to February 1983. Farm employment rose by 1,377 between January 1983 and February 1983, farm employment increased by 3,377 from February 1982 to February 1983.

Unemployment in Nebraska increased slightly (203) between January 1983 and February 1983. Year-to-year unemployment rose by 13,392. The unemployment rate declined slightly by 0.1 percent between January 1983 to February 1983. The unemployment rate increased by 1.6 between February 1982 and February 1983.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT DATA [1]

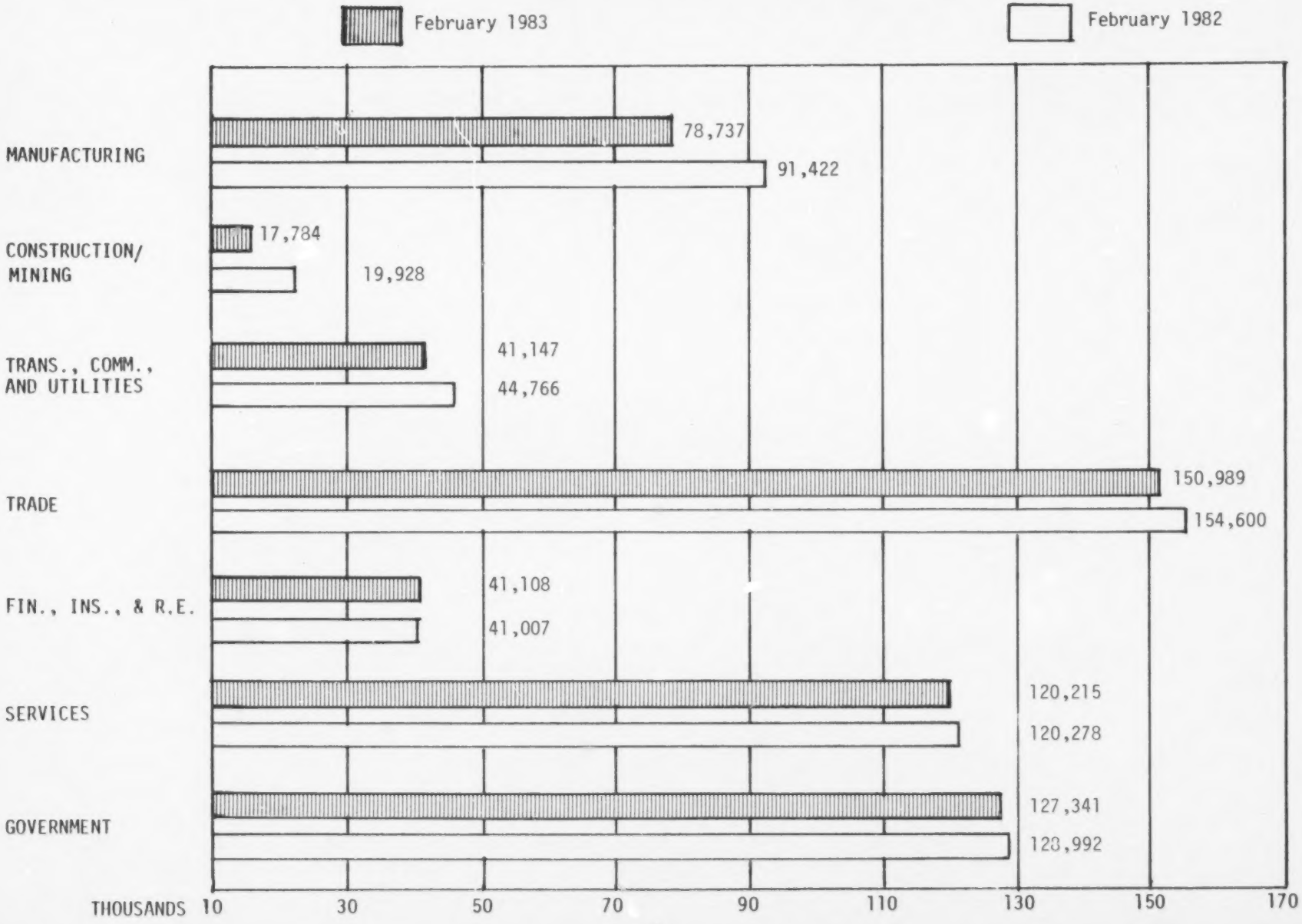
Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Feb 1983 [2]	Jan 1983 [3]	Feb 1982 [3]	Change From: Jan 1983	Change From: Feb 1982	Percent Change From: Feb 1982
NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	577,321	579,420	600,993	- 2,099	- 23,672	- 3.9
MANUFACTURING	78,737	79,876	91,422	- 1,139	- 12,685	- 13.9
Durable Goods	38,829	39,053	45,117	- 224	- 6,288	- 13.9
Construction Material	3,548	3,695	3,887	- 147	- 339	- 8.7
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	1,572	1,506	1,609	+ 66	- 37	- 2.3
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	1,976	2,189	2,278	- 213	- 302	- 13.3
Furniture and Fixtures	1,451	1,480	1,498	- 29	- 47	- 3.1
Metals	7,163	7,306	7,920	- 143	- 757	- 9.6
Primary Metal Industries	1,368	1,386	1,680	- 18	- 312	- 18.6
Fabricated Metal Prod., Except Mach. & Transp. Equip.	5,795	5,920	6,240	- 125	- 445	- 7.1
Machinery Except Electrical	9,329	9,198	12,372	+ 131	- 3,043	- 24.6
Farm Machinery & Equipment	5,084	4,962	7,061	+ 122	- 1,977	- 28.0
Electrical & Electronic Machinery, Equip. & Supplies	7,809	7,833	8,980	- 24	- 1,171	- 13.0
Transportation Equipment	4,243	4,240	4,903	+ 3	- 660	- 13.5
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	2,164	2,170	2,617	- 6	- 453	- 17.3
Other Durable Goods (Including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	5,286	5,301	5,557	- 15	- 271	- 4.9
Nondurable Goods	39,908	40,823	46,305	- 915	- 6,397	- 13.8
Food & Kindred Products	21,608	22,625	27,274	- 1,017	- 5,666	- 20.8
Meat Products	10,788	11,089	15,509	- 301	- 4,721	- 30.4
Dairy Products	1,504	1,488	1,584	+ 16	- 80	- 5.1
Grain Mill	3,805	3,929	3,907	- 124	- 102	- 2.6
Other Food Prod. (Incl. Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	5,511	6,119	6,274	- 608	- 763	- 12.2
Textile Products & Apparel	2,036	1,997	2,132	+ 39	- 96	- 4.5
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	8,058	8,056	8,059	+ 2	- 1	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	2,632	2,580	2,597	+ 52	+ 35	+ 1.3
Other Nondurable Goods (Including Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	5,574	5,565	6,243	+ 9	- 669	- 10.7
NONMANUFACTURING	498,584	499,544	509,571	- 960	- 10,987	- 2.2
MINING	1,516	1,480	1,705	+ 36	- 189	- 11.1
CONSTRUCTION	16,268	16,942	18,223	- 674	- 1,955	- 10.7
Building Const. - Gen. Cont. & Operative Builders	4,210	4,407	4,974	- 197	- 764	- 15.4
Construction Other Than Bldg. Const. - Gen. Contractors	2,611	2,586	2,987	+ 25	- 376	- 12.6
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	9,447	9,949	10,262	- 502	- 815	- 7.9
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION and UTILITIES	41,147	41,743	44,766	- 596	- 3,619	- 8.1
Railroad Transportation	11,988	12,422	13,440	- 434	- 1,452	- 10.8
Other Transportation (Including Buses and Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transportation & Warehousing; etc.)	13,205	13,276	14,371	- 71	- 1,166	- 8.1
Communication & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	15,954	16,045	16,955	- 91	- 1,001	- 5.9

TRADE	150,989	152,745	154,600	- 1,756	- 3,611	- 2.3
Wholesale	45,421	45,663	46,284	- 242	- 863	- 1.9
Durable Goods	21,625	21,829	22,791	- 204	- 1,166	- 5.1
Nondurable Goods	23,796	23,834	23,493	- 38	+ 303	+ 1.3
Retail	105,568	107,082	108,316	- 1,514	- 2,748	- 2.5
Bldg. Mat.; Hardware; Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dealers	4,393	4,505	5,160	- 112	- 767	- 14.9
General Merchandise Stores	12,976	13,576	14,381	- 600	- 1,405	- 9.8
Food Stores	14,631	14,836	15,833	- 205	- 1,202	- 7.6
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	13,921	14,042	13,936	- 121	- 15	- .1
Apparel & Accessory Stores	6,011	6,064	6,351	- 53	- 340	- 5.4
Furniture; Home Furnishings & Equipment Stores	3,479	3,538	3,796	- 59	- 317	- 8.4
Eating & Drinking Places	37,354	37,591	36,177	- 237	+ 1,177	+ 3.3
Miscellaneous Retail	12,803	12,930	12,682	- 127	+ 121	+ 1.0
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	4,266	4,344	3,847	- 78	+ 419	+ 10.9
Other Miscel. Retail (Including Liquor Stores; Sporting Good Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	8,537	8,586	8,835	- 49	- 298	- 3.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, and REAL ESTATE	41,108	41,182	41,007	- 74	+ 101	+ .2
Banking	10,800	10,766	10,775	+ 34	+ 25	+ .2
Insurance	19,956	19,964	19,555	- 8	+ 401	+ 2.1
Real Estate	3,669	3,710	3,851	- 41	- 182	- 4.7
Other Finance, Ins. & Real Estate (Incl. Credit Agencies Other Than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svcs.; etc.)	6,683	6,742	6,826	- 59	- 143	- 2.1
SERVICES Except DOMESTIC	120,215	119,480	120,278	+ 735	- 63	- .1
Hotels; Rooming Houses; Camps & Other Lodging Places	6,424	6,384	6,413	+ 40	+ 11	+ .2
Personal Services	6,284	6,474	6,836	- 190	- 552	- 8.1
Business Services	18,144	18,151	17,504	- 7	+ 640	+ 3.7
Automotive Repair; Services & Garages	3,685	3,701	3,797	- 16	- 112	- 2.9
Amusement & Recreation	5,594	5,561	5,201	+ 33	+ 393	+ 7.6
Health Services	44,851	45,012	44,789	- 161	+ 62	+ .1
Educational Services	9,737	8,913	9,451	+ 824	+ 286	+ 3.0
Social Services	6,002	5,962	5,979	+ 40	+ 23	+ .4
Membership Services	8,726	8,656	8,951	+ 70	- 225	- 2.5
Other Services (Including Legal & Other Prof. Services; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Services; etc.)	10,768	10,666	11,357	+ 102	- 589	- 5.2
GOVERNMENT	127,341	125,972	128,992	+ 1,369	- 1,651	- 1.3
Federal	16,239	16,235	15,986	+ 4	+ 253	+ 1.6
State	30,737	29,232	32,222	+ 1,505	- 1,485	- 4.6
Local 4/	80,365	80,505	80,784	- 140	- 419	- .5

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1982 benchmark, and all months are comparable.
2/ Preliminary estimates. 3/ Revised.
4/ Local Government includes all imployment in political subdivisions below the state level, e.g., public schools and government-owned community educational facilities, city and village government, county government, government-owned health care facilities, and other local governmental functions.

NEBRASKA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



NEBRASKA WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

February 1983 In Review . . . . . .

The Nebraska nonfarm work force decreased by -2,099 for the period of January 1983 to February 1983. Manufacturing declined (-1,139) and nonmanufacturing decreased by -960. The decline in manufacturing resulted from a drop in durable goods of -224 and a decline in nondurable goods of -915. The major loss in durable goods came in stone, clay and glass products (-213). The largest loss in nondurable goods occurred in other food products (-608).

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (1,369), services (735). The major increase in government was in state government (1,505). The major increase in services came in educational services (824) which more than offset a decrease in personal services of -190. Most of the increase in state government was in educational services.

Month-to-month decreases occurred in trade (-1,756), construction and mining (-638), transportation and public utilities (-596), finance, insurance-real estate (-74). The decrease in trade came in retail trade (-1,514) with retail general merchandise showing a decline of -600. A small increase in mining (36) was more than offset by a decline in construction which was primarily reflected in the special trade contractors (-502). In transportation and public utilities railroad transportation showed the largest loss (-434). Other finance registered the largest loss (-59) in the finance, insurance and real estate industry.

Annual Changes . . . . . .

The Nebraska nonfarm work force decreased by 23,672 from February 1982 to February 1983. This included a drop of -12,685 in manufacturing and a decrease of -10,987 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of -12,685 in manufacturing included a drop of -6,288 in durable goods and a reduction of -6,397 for nondurable goods for the yearly change. The major loss in durable goods occurred in machinery except electrical (-3,043), and metals (-757). The primary decrease in nondurable goods occurred in meat products (-4,721).

Year-to-year an increase occurred only in finance, insurance and real estate (101).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in transportation-communication-utilities (-3,619), trade (-3,611), mining and construction (-2,144), government (-1,651), services except domestic (-63). The largest decline in transportation-communication-utilities occurred in railroad transportation (-1,452). The decrease in trade occurred primarily in retail trade particularily in retail general merchandise (-1,405). In construction and mining, special trade contractors and general contractors and operative builders represented the major losses (-815) and (-764) respectively. The largest drop in government came in state government (-1,485). The increase in business services (640), was more than offset by declines in other services (-589) and membership services (-225).

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES [1/]

February 1983 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate [2/]
Adams	15,644	14,639	1,005	6.4
Antelope	3,984	3,647	287	7.2
Arthur	312	296	16	5.1
Banner	307	279	28	9.1
Blaine	334	304	30	9.0
Boone	3,775	3,522	253	6.7
Box Butte	8,040	7,086	954	11.9
Boyd	1,499	1,444	55	3.7
Brown	1,925	1,798	127	6.6
Buffalo	19,854	18,522	1,332	6.7
Burt	4,080	3,702	378	9.3
Butler	4,116	3,645	471	11.4
Cass	8,836	7,909	927	10.5
Cedar	4,605	4,158	447	9.7
Chase	2,234	2,143	91	4.1
Cherry	3,051	2,863	188	6.2
Cheyenne	4,680	4,362	318	6.8
Clay	3,741	3,503	238	6.4
Colfax	5,932	4,887	1,045	17.6
Cuming	5,497	5,224	273	5.0
Custer	6,076	5,766	310	5.1
Dakota	7,595	7,217	378	5.0
Dawes	4,091	3,824	267	6.5
Dawson	11,638	10,429	1,209	10.4
Deuel	1,042	990	52	5.0
Dixon	3,519	3,337	182	5.2
Dodge	19,006	17,014	1,992	10.5
Douglas	200,610	183,938	16,672	8.3
Dundy	1,211	1,159	52	4.3
Fillmore	3,681	3,441	240	6.5
Franklin	1,914	1,838	76	4.0

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES [1/]

February 1983 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate [2/]
Frontier	1,651	1,581	70	4.2
Furnas	2,834	2,673	161	5.7
Gage	11,418	10,494	924	8.1
Garden	932	904	28	3.0
Garfield	1,521	1,374	124	8.2
Gosper	1,087	983	104	9.6
Grant	343	335	8	2.3
Greeley	1,511	1,425	86	5.7
Hall	24,509	22,238	2,271	9.3
Hamilton	4,508	4,236	272	6.0
Harlan	2,613	2,481	132	5.1
Hayes	493	467	26	5.3
Hitchcock	1,661	1,542	119	7.2
Holt	5,513	4,969	544	9.9
Hooker	491	453	38	7.7
Howard	2,663	2,413	250	9.4
Jefferson	4,701	4,387	314	6.7
Johnson	2,431	2,192	239	9.8
Kearney	3,236	3,083	173	5.3
Keith	4,933	4,563	370	7.5
Keya Paha	412	375	37	9.0
Kimball	2,611	2,452	159	6.1
Knox	4,725	4,342	383	8.1
Lancaster	109,342	102,683	6,659	6.1
Lincoln	17,320	14,632	2,688	15.5
Logan	487	472	15	3.1
Loup	306	252	54	17.6
McPherson	172	155	17	9.9
Madison	16,940	15,789	1,151	6.8
Merrick	3,335	3,025	310	9.3
Morrill	2,132	1,991	141	6.6

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - BY COUNTIES [1/]

February 1983 (Preliminary)

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate [2/]
Nance	1,849	1,669	180	9.7
Nemaha	3,252	2,915	337	10.4
Nuckolls	3,178	2,908	270	8.5
Otoe	7,155	6,513	642	9.0
Pawnee	1,834	1,724	110	6.0
Perkins	1,590	1,552	38	2.4
Phelps	4,885	4,661	224	4.6
Pierce	4,009	3,680	329	8.2
Platte	14,983	13,460	1,523	10.2
Polk	2,959	2,791	168	5.7
Red Willow	5,531	5,091	440	8.0
Richardson	4,341	3,907	434	10.0
Rock	1,265	1,216	49	3.9
Saline	6,466	6,069	397	6.1
Sarpy	42,623	39,849	2,774	6.5
Saunders	7,350	6,475	875	11.9
Scotts Bluff	20,581	18,333	2,248	10.9
Seward	6,434	6,115	319	5.0
Sheridan	3,119	3,011	108	3.5
Sherman	2,073	1,930	143	6.9
Sioux	668	628	40	6.0
Stanton	3,956	3,777	179	4.5
Thayer	3,121	2,935	186	6.0
Thomas	397	380	17	4.3
Thurston	3,112	2,821	291	9.4
Valley	2,634	2,416	218	8.3
Washington	5,832	5,157	675	11.6
Wayne	4,344	4,134	210	4.8
Webster	1,937	1,819	118	6.1
Wheeler	325	308	17	5.2
York	7,950	7,477	473	5.9

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to the total civilian labor force.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONFARM OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

February 1983

	Applicants Available FY to Date 2/	Active File	Nonfarm Job Openings Received FY to Date 2/	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 Days Or More	Appts/ Openings FY to Date	Active File Unfill. Open End-of-Month	Unf. Open 30 Days + % of Total
TOTAL 3/	74,550	37,469	15,703	2,256	1,557	4.75	16.61	69.0
0-1 Professional, Technical and Managerial	7,989	4,215	1,028	763	592	7.77	5.52	77.5
2 Clerical and Sales	18,991	8,856	3,742	793	532	5.08	11.17	67.0
Entry Codes 4/	2,403	923	--	--	--	--	--	--
20-24 Clerical	12,463	5,830	2,296	599	412	5.43	9.73	68.7
25-29 Sales	4,125	2,103	1,446	194	120	2.85	10.84	61.8
3 Service	12,675	5,902	3,270	229	99	3.88	25.77	43.2
Entry Code 4/	1,348	550	--	--	--	--	--	--
30 Domestic	564	226	852	22	14	0.66	10.27	63.6
31-39 Other	10,763	5,126	2,418	207	85	4.45	24.76	41.0
4 Farm, Forestry, Fisheries	2,556	1,034	618	6	1	4.14	172.33	16.6
5 Processing	2,024	1,217	513	12	7	3.95	101.42	58.3
6 Machine Trades	4,426	2,426	397	42	20	11.15	57.76	47.6
7 Bench Work	3,534	1,933	272	32	20	12.99	60.41	62.5
8 Structural Work	9,741	5,342	1,872	79	30	5.20	67.62	37.9
9 Miscellaneous	10,208	5,648	3,997	69	25	2.55	81.86	36.2
Entry Codes 4/	1,143	1,525	--	--	--	--	--	--
90-91 Motor Freights, Transportation	3,887	2,257	1,289	40	15	3.02	56.43	37.5
92 Packaging, Materials Handling	4,701	2,597	2,239	23	6	2.10	112.91	26.0
93-97 Other 5/	477	269	469	6	4	1.02	44.83	66.6

1/ Source of Data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).
2/ Period Covered: 10-1-82 through 2-28-82. FY 1983 defined as 10-1-82 through 9-30-83.
3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.
4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.
5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

February 1983

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb 1983 [2]	Jan 1983 [3]	Feb 1982 [3]	Feb 1983 [2]	Jan 1983 [3]	Feb 1982 [3]	Feb 1983 [2]	Jan 1983 [3]	Feb 1982 [3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$335.87	$349.05	$333.28	39.1	39.8	40.3	$ 8.59	$ 8.77	$ 8.27
Durable Goods	$337.66	$340.49	$323.97	39.4	39.5	40.7	$ 8.57	$ 8.62	$ 7.96
Lumber Stone, Clay, Glass Products	$287.66	$289.67	$287.57	37.9	36.9	38.6	$ 7.59	$ 7.85	$ 7.45
Primary & Fabricated Metals	$350.86	$350.95	$352.88	39.6	39.7	40.1	$ 8.86	$ 8.84	$ 8.80
Machinery & Transportation Equipment	$363.60	$371.28	$336.19	40.0	40.4	41.2	$ 9.09	$ 9.19	$ 8.16
Nondurable Goods	$334.07	$357.29	$342.74	38.8	40.1	39.9	$ 8.61	$ 8.91	$ 8.59
Food & Kindred Products	$365.74	$400.32	$379.25	39.2	41.7	41.0	$ 9.33	$ 9.60	$ 9.25
Meat Products	$377.14	$440.75	$402.19	38.8	43.0	40.3	$ 9.72	$10.25	$ 9.98
Dairy Products	$278.52	$273.89	$248.57	38.9	38.2	38.9	$ 7.16	$ 7.17	$ 6.39
Grain Mill Products	$446.05	$469.64	$450.58	42.4	44.6	44.7	$10.52	$10.53	$10.08
Bakery Products	$317.72	$284.08	$281.29	35.9	33.9	34.9	$ 8.85	$ 8.38	$ 8.06
Other Food and Kindred Products	$285.29	$274.48	$277.30	38.5	37.6	42.4	$ 7.41	$ 7.30	$ 6.54
Printing and Publishing	$258.65	$277.29	$270.48	35.0	36.2	36.7	$ 7.39	$ 7.66	$ 7.37
Chemical and Allied Products	$378.92	$376.93	$340.62	40.7	40.4	42.0	$ 9.31	$ 9.33	$ 8.11

1/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing decreased by $13.18 between January 1983 to February 1983. This reflected a $2.83 drop in durable goods and another drop of $23.22 month-to-month. An increase of $2.59 per week occurred between February 1982 and February 1983 in manufacturing with durable goods increasing by $13.69 and nondurable goods going down by $8.67 for the same period. Average weekly hours declined by 0.7 hours month-to-month in manufacturing. Durable and nondurable goods showed a decline by 0.1 hours and 1.3 hours respectively month-to-month. Average weekly hours dropped by 1.2 hours from February 1982 to February 1983 in manufacturing. Durable and nondurable goods average weekly hours both declined by 1.3 hours and 1.1 hours year-to-year respectively. Average hourly earnings showed a decline of 18 cents with durable goods decreasing 5 cents and nondurables dropping by 30 cents month-to-month. From February 1982 to February 1983 average hourly earnings in manufacturing increased by 32 cents. An increase in durable goods of 61 cents between February 1982 to February 1983 also nondurable goods increased by two cents for the same period.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

February 1983

	Feb. 1983	Jan. 1983	Feb. 1982
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	8,349	14,589	8,341
Weeks Claimed	101,967	106,482	83.458
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments From UI Funds	$8,739,780	$8,635,274	$7,112,473
Calendar Year-to-Date	$17,375,054	$8,635,274	$13,440.915
Average Size of Weekly Payments	$93.28	$96.78	$95.38
First Payments	6,105	9,681	5,721
Exhaustions	2,248	1,973	1,476
Individuals Who drew Benefits	INA	INA	24,643
Rate of Insured Unemployment	4.4%	4.4%	3.6%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments From UCFE Funds	$46,638	$55,654	$70.702
Average Size of Weekly Payments	$95.96	$94.01	$77.02
First Payments	27	40	45
Exhaustions	24	25	29
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments From UCX Funds	$32,016	$30,104	$15,641
Average Size of Weekly Payments	$104.97	$105.63	$79.40
First Payments	24	46	3
Exhaustions	9	1	4
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject Employers - End of Month	39,129	38,836	37,052
Contributions Received	$3,251,129	$2,106,544	$4,163,905
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of Month Fund Balance	$58,215,895	$63,507,420	$85,741,133

Initial Claims in Area Claims Centers decreased from 14,589 in January 1983 to 8,349 in February 1983.

Weeks claimed decreased from 106,482 in January 1983 to 101,967 in February 1983.

Unemployment insurance payments increased from 8.6 million dollars in January 1983 to 8.7 million dollars in February 1983.

The rate of insured unemployment stayed the same of 4.4% in January and February 1983.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 5.4 million compared to 6.2 million one year ago.

The Trust Fund balance stood at 58.2 million dollars compared to 85.7 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1/]

February 1983

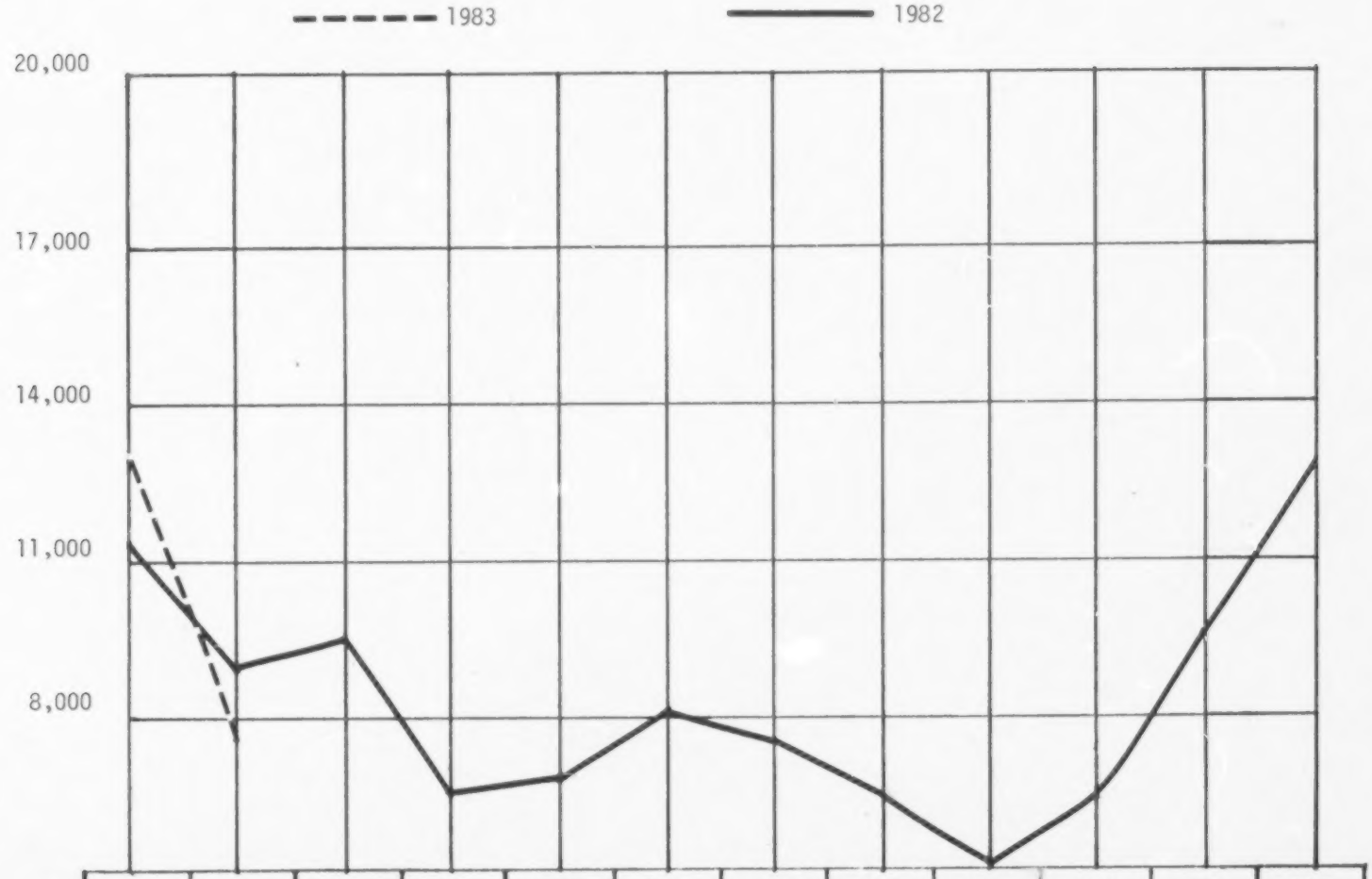
AGE:	Amount	Percent of Total
Under 22	2,908	12.8
22-24	3,279	14.4
25-34	7,610	33.5
35-44	3,871	17.0
45-54	2,934	12.9
55-59	1,298	5.7
60-64	708	3.1
65 and over	106	0.4
INDUSTRY:		
Agriculture	375	1.6
Construction and mining	6,178	27.2
Manufacturing	5,145	22.7
Durable goods	2,664	11.7
Nondurable goods	2,481	10.9
Transportation, communication and utilities	808	3.6
Trade (wholesale and retail)	4,292	18.9
Finance, insurance and real estate	454	2.0
Services	2,657	11.7
Government (state and local)	472	2.1
Other	2,333	1.0

RACE:	Amount	Percent of Total
White	21,060	92.7
Other	1,654	7.2
SEX:		
Male	16,657	73.3
Female	6,057	26.6
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED		
1 - 4	5,520	23.0
5 - 14	14,098	58.8
15 and over	4,325	18.0
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	NA	NA
Clerical and sales	NA	NA
Service	NA	NA
Farm and related	NA	NA
Processing	NA	NA
Machine trades	NA	NA
Bench work	NA	NA
Structural work	NA	NA
Miscellaneous	NA	NA

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for February was 22,714.

STATE SUMMARY OF INITIAL CLAIMS 1/
BY MONTH

Unemployment Insurance Only
(Excludes Compensation For Federal Employees and Ex-Servicemen)



	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
1982	11,199	8,341	9,446	7,354	7,673	8,090	7,764	6,936	6,311	7,342	9,625	12,783
1983	13,439	7,758										

1/ Source of data: Claims and Payment Activities (ES-159).

STATE SUMMARY OF CONTINUED CLAIMS 1/
BY MONTH

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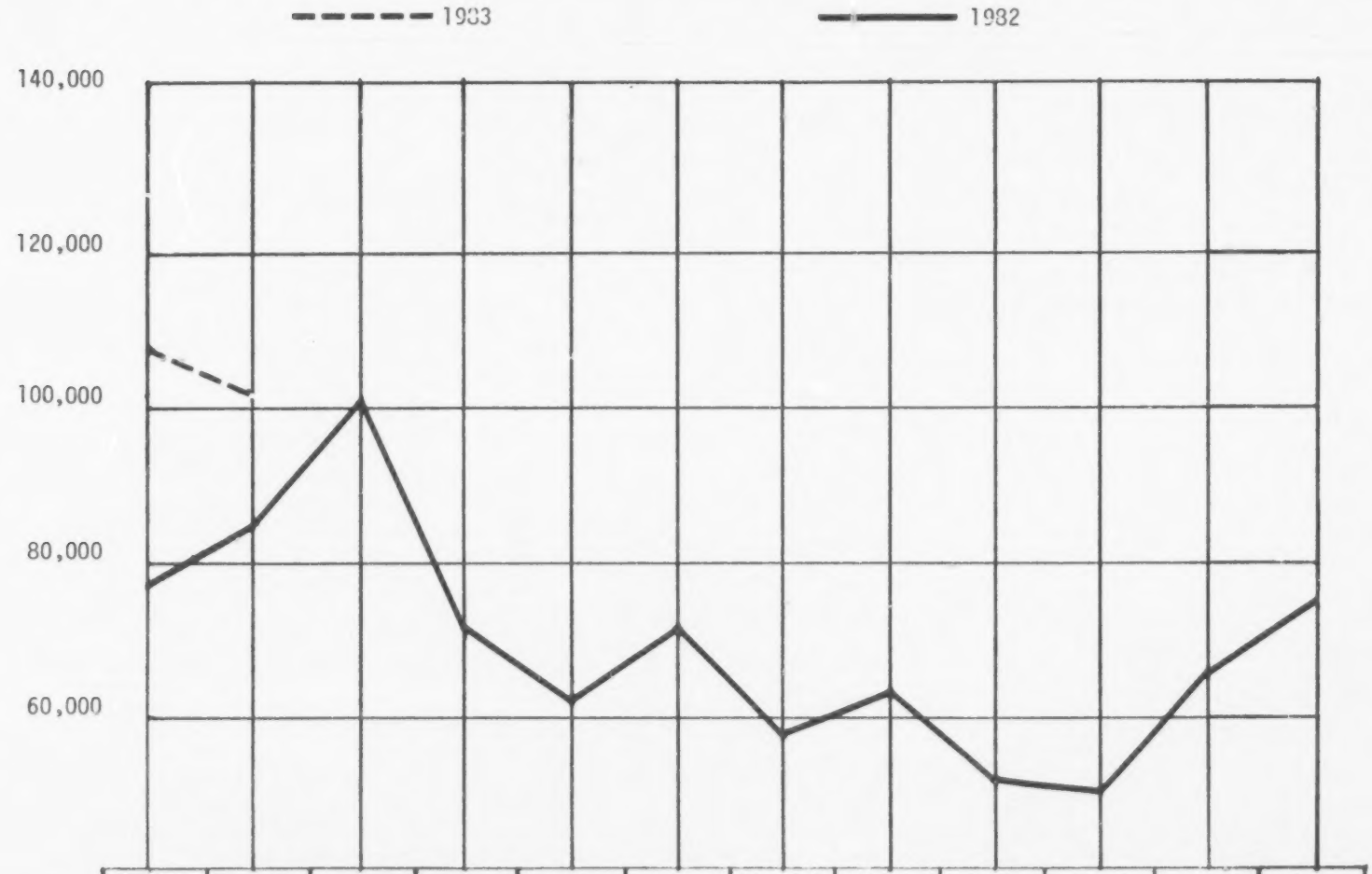
(Excludes Compensation For Federal Employees and Ex-Servicemen)



	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
1982	77,380	83,458	101,150	70,710	62,280	72,411	58,831	62,673	53,580	52,454	67,919	75,798
1983	106,482	101,967										

1/ Source of data: Claims and Payment Activities (ES-159).

OMAHA SMSA [1/]

ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [2/]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Changed From:	
	Feb 1983	Jan 1983	Feb 1982	Jan 1983	Feb 1982
Civilian Labor Force	274,837	274,302	282,066	535	- 7,229
Employment	251,516	251,333	262,410	183	- 10,894
Nonfarm	248,877	248,724	259,737	153	- 10,860
Farm	2,639	2,609	2,673	30	- 34
Unemployment	23,321	22,969	19,656	352	3,665
Unemployment Rate [2/]	8.5	8.4	7.0	0.1	1.5

1/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 230,882 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion estimated at 43,955 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

2/ Estimated are based on the March 1982 benchmark, and all months are comparable.

3/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Omaha civilian labor force increased by 535 from January 1983 to February 1983. Year-to-year the civilian labor force decreased by 7,229. Total employment increased slightly by 183 between January 1983 and February 1983, dropped by 10,894 year-to-year. Nonfarm employment rose by 153 from January 1982 to February 1983, but declined substantially by 10,860. Farm employment increased barely by 30 month-to-month. Farm employment declined by 34 between February 1982 and February 1983.

Unemployment in the Omaha SMSA increased by 352 between January 1982 to February 1983.

Unemployment also increased by 3,665 from February 1982 to February 1983. The rate of unemployment increased slightly by 0.1 percent month-to-month. The rate increased substantially between February 1982 and February 1983 by 1.5 percent.

ESTIMATES OF OMAHA SMSA [1] NONFARM EMPLOYMENT DATA [2]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Feb 1983 [3]	Jan 1983 [4]	Feb 1982 [4]	Change From: Jan 1983	Change From: Feb 1982	Percent Change From: Feb 1982
NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	249,315	249,873	256,219	- 558	- 6,904	- 2.7
MANUFACTURING	30,495	30,751	33,269	- 256	- 2,774	- 8.3
Durable Goods	13,838	13,945	16,064	- 107	- 2,226	- 13.9
Construction Material	644	650	845	- 6	- 201	- 23.8
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	172	187	200	- 15	- 28	- 14.0
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	472	463	645	+ 9	- 173	- 26.8
Furniture and Fixtures	1,318	1,335	1,299	- 17	+ 19	+ 1.5
Metals	2,358	2,404	2,540	- 46	- 182	- 7.2
Primary Metal Industries	628	643	866	- 15	- 238	- 27.5
Fabricated Metal Prod., Except Mach. & Transp. Equip.	1,730	1,761	1,674	- 31	+ 56	+ 3.3
Machinery Except Electrical	3,903	3,937	4,922	- 34	- 1,019	- 20.7
Farm Machinery & Equipment	1,380	1,379	1,589	+ 1	- 209	- 13.2
Electrical & Electronic Machinery, Equip. & Supplies	2,261	3,291	3,785	- 30	- 524	- 13.8
Transportation Equipment	814	752	959	+ 62	- 145	- 15.1
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	603	541	733	+ 62	- 130	- 17.7
Other Durable Goods (Including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	1,540	1,576	1,714	- 36	- 174	- 10.2
Nondurable Goods	16,657	16,806	17,205	- 149	- 548	- 3.2
Food & Kindred Products	9,102	9,399	9,480	- 297	- 378	- 4.0
Meat Products	3,825	3,793	4,088	+ 32	- 263	- 6.4
Dairy Products	458	447	444	+ 11	+ 14	+ 3.2
Grain Mill	1,571	1,680	1,668	- 109	- 97	- 5.8
Other Food Prod. (Incl. Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	3,248	3,479	3,280	- 231	- 32	- 1.0
Textile Products & Apparel	422	420	408	+ 2	+ 14	+ 3.4
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	3,756	3,691	3,646	+ 65	+ 110	+ 3.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	1,178	1,128	1,282	+ 50	- 104	- 8.1
Other Nondurable Goods (Including Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	2,199	2,168	2,389	+ 31	- 190	- 8.0
NONMANUFACTURING	218,820	219,122	222,950	- 302	- 4,130	- 1.9
MINING	142	138	129	+ 4	+ 13	+ 10.1
CONSTRUCTION	6,599	6,816	7,128	- 217	- 529	- 7.4
Building Const. - Gen. Cont. & Operative Builders	1,361	1,430	1,614	- 69	- 253	- 15.7
Construction Other Than Bldg. Const. - Gen. Contractors	923	908	975	+ 15	- 52	- 5.3
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	4,315	4,478	4,539	- 163	- 224	- 4.9
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION and UTILITIES	21,676	21,973	23,223	- 297	- 1,547	- 6.7
Railroad Transportation	5,088	5,243	5,571	- 155	- 483	- 8.7
Other Transportation (Including Buses and Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transportation & Warehousing; etc.)	7,476	7,483	7,869	- 7	- 393	- 5.0
Communication & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	9,112	9,247	9,783	- 135	- 671	- 6.9

TRADE	64,760	65,334	66,031	- 574	- 1,271	- 1.9
Wholesale	20,788	20,875	21,084	- 87	- 296	- 1.4
Durable Goods	12,296	12,366	12,549	- 70	- 253	- 2.0
Nondurable Goods	8,492	8,509	8,535	- 17	- 43	- .5
Retail	43,972	44,459	44,947	- 487	- 975	- 2.2
Bldg. Mat.; Hardware; Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dealers	1,299	1,294	1,342	+ 5	- 43	- 3.2
General Merchandise Stores	7,135	7,442	7,270	- 307	- 144	- 2.0
Food Stores	5,702	5,766	6,671	- 64	- 969	- 14.5
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	4,354	4,369	4,420	- 15	- 66	- 1.5
Apparel & Accessory Stores	2,542	2,606	2,526	- 64	+ 16	+ .6
Furniture; Home Furnishings & Equipment Stores	1,537	1,553	1,614	- 16	- 77	- 4.8
Eating & Drinking Places	15,736	16,695	15,798	+ 41	- 62	- .4
Miscellaneous Retail	5,667	5,734	5,297	- 67	+ 370	+ 7.0
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	1,900	1,929	1,655	- 29	+ 245	+ 14.8
Other Miscel. Retail (Including Liquor Stores; Sporting Good Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	3,767	3,805	3,642	- 38	+ 125	+ 3.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, and REAL ESTATE	23,778	23,801	23,499	- 23	+ 279	+ 1.2
Banking	4,048	4,021	3,920	+ 27	+ 128	+ 3.3
Insurance	14,165	14,149	13,722	+ 16	+ 443	+ 3.2
Real Estate	2,152	2,184	2,388	- 32	- 236	- 9.9
Other Finance, Ins. & Real Estate (Incl. Credit Agencies Other Than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svcs.; etc.)	3,413	3,447	3,469	- 34	- 56	- 1.6
SERVICES Except DOMESTIC	61,490	61,328	61,206	+ 162	+ 284	+ .5
Hotels; Rooming Houses; Camps & Other Lodging Places	2,727	2,664	2,663	+ 63	+ 64	+ 2.4
Personal Services	3,018	3,056	3,272	- 38	- 254	- 7.8
Business Services	13,679	13,788	12,627	- 109	+ 1,052	+ 8.3
Automotive Repair; Services & Garages	1,893	1,913	1,988	- 20	- 95	- 4.8
Amusement & Recreation	2,492	2,472	2,505	+ 20	- 13	- .5
Health Services	21,039	21,079	21,171	- 40	- 132	- .6
Educational Services	4,933	4,729	4,922	+ 204	+ 11	+ .2
Social Services	3,292	3,277	3,216	+ 15	+ 76	+ 2.4
Membership Services	2,916	2,944	3,077	- 28	- 161	- 5.2
Other Services (Including Legal & Other Prof. Services; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Services; etc.)	5,501	5,406	5,765	+ 95	- 264	- 4.6
GOVERNMENT	40,375	39,732	41,734	+ 643	- 1,359	- 3.3
Federal	8,398	8,407	8,428	- 9	- 30	- .4
State	7,505	7,300	8,072	+ 205	- 567	- 7.0
Local 5/	24,472	24,025	25,234	+ 447	- 762	- 3.0

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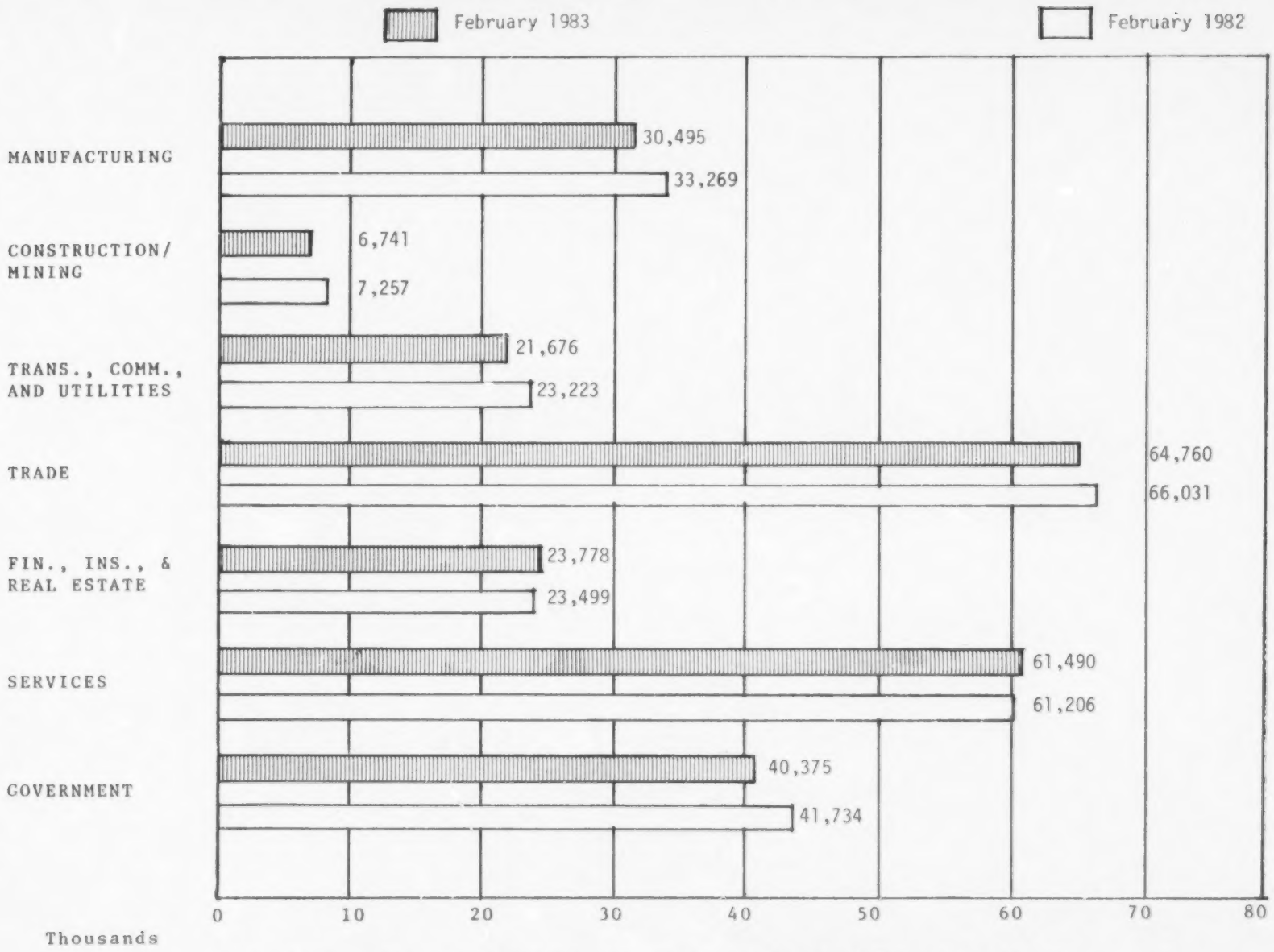
2/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics. Estimates are based on March 1982 benchmark, and all months are comparable
3/ Preliminary estimates. 4/ Revised
5/ Local Government includes all employment in political subdivisions below the State level, e.g., public schools and other government-owned community educational facilities, city and village governments, government-owned utilities, government-owned health care facilities and local governmental functions.

OMAHA SMSA 1/ NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



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OMAHA SMSA[1/] WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

February 1983 In Review . . . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonfarm work force decreased by 558 from January 1983 to February 1983. This included decreases in both manufacturing (-256) and nonmanufacturing (-302).

The decrease in manufacturing resulted from a decline in durable goods and nondurable goods by (-107) and (-149) respectively. The drop in durable goods was generally scattered. The decline in nondurable goods came primarily in other food products (-231).

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (643), services except domestic (162). The largest increases in government occurred in local government (447). Services except domestic reflected a rise in educational services (204). The increase in educational services was primarily because of school reopenings.

Month-to-month decreases occurred in trade (-574), transportation-communication-utilities (-297), and construction and mining (-213). The decrease in trade occurred primarily in retail general merchandise (-307). This decrease in retail general merchandise was seasonal in nature. The decline in transportation-communications-utilities came primarily in railroad transportation (-155). Communication and electrical and sanitary services also showed a substantial decrease (-135) in this category. The major loss in construction and mining came in special trade contractors (-163).

Annual Changes . . . . . .

The Omaha SMSA nonfarm work force decreased by 6,904 from February 1982 to February 1983. This included a decrease in manufacturing of 2,774 and a drop of 4,130 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease in manufacturing came in durable goods (-2,226) and nondurable goods (-548).

The major loss in durable goods was in machinery except electrical (-1,019). The significant decline in nondurable goods was primarily in food and kindred products (-378).

The year-to-year increases occurred in services except domestic (284), finance, insurance and real estate (279). An increase in business services (1,052) more than offset declines in other services (-264) and personal services (-254). The increase in finance, insurance and real estate was primarily in insurance (443).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in transportation-communications-utilies (-1,547), government (-1,359), trade (-1,271), construction and mining (-516). Communication, electric and sanitary services registered the largest loss (-671) in the transportation-communication-utilities industry. Local and state government showed the major losses (-762) and (-567) respectively in government. Retail food stores was the largest loser (-969) in the trade segment. Losses in construction were mainly in general contractors (-253) and special trade contractors (-224) more than offset a small increase in mining.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN OMAHA SMSA [1] MANUFACTURING [2]

February 1983

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MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$350.10	$335.15	$326.31	38.6	39.2	38.8	$ 9.07	$ 9.06	$ 8.41
Durable Goods	$368.71	$364.50	$326.25	37.7	37.5	37.5	$ 9.78	$ 9.72	$ 8.70
Primary and Fabricated Metals	$495.22	$478.40	$383.61	41.2	40.0	37.1	$12.02	$11.96	$10.34
Nondurable Goods	$334.51	$346.72	$327.22	39.4	40.6	40.1	$ 8.49	$ 8.54	$ 8.16
Food and Kindred Products	$384.06	$390.58	$351.74	41.7	42.5	39.7	$ 9.21	$ 9.19	$ 8.86
Meat Products	$373.24	$385.88	$322.65	43.0	43.9	37.3	$ 8.68	$ 8.79	$ 8.65
Grain Mill Products	$519.12	$540.79	$505.29	42.3	44.4	43.9	$12.27	$12.18	$11.51
Bakery Products	$349.22	$297.44	$293.88	38.0	35.2	37.2	$ 9.19	$ 8.45	$ 7.90
Other Food and Kindred Products	$314.42	$310.71	$309.96	39.8	40.3	42.0	$ 7.90	$ 7.71	$ 7.38
Printing & Publishing	$253.83	$283.04	$287.82	35.5	38.3	39.0	$ 7.15	$ 7.39	$ 7.38
Chemicals & Allied Products	$370.36	$366.51	$339.47	40.3	40.1	42.7	$ 9.19	$ 9.14	$ 7.95

1/ Omaha SMSA defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.
2/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary. 4/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Omaha SMSA manufacturing decreased by $14.95 from January 1983 to February 1983. A decline in nondurable goods of $12.21 more than offset an increase of $4.21 in durable goods month-to-month. Average weekly earnings increased by $23.79 in manufacturing year-to-year. Durable goods accounted for the largest increase ($42.46) with nondurable goods increasing by $7.29 year-to-year. Average weekly hours decreased by 0.6 hours between January 1983 and February 1983 in manufacturing. Average weekly hours in manufacturing increased by 0.2 hours from February 1982 to February 1983. Average hourly earnings increased by .01 between January 1983 and February 1983 for manufacturing, with durable goods increasing by .06 and nondurable goods dropping by .05. Year-to-year average hourly earnings increased by .66 from February 1982 and February 1983. Durable goods went up by $1.08 while nondurable goods increased by .33.

OMAHA

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45-54	980	14.2
55-59	400	5.8
60-64	198	2.8
65 and over	19	0.2
INDUSTRY:		
Agriculture	136	2.0
Construction and mining	1,734	25.2
Manufacturing	1,313	19.1
Durable goods	637	9.3
Nondurable goods	676	9.8
Transportation, communication and utilities	312	4.5
Trade (wholesale and retail)	1,415	20.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	262	3.8
Services	1,137	16.5
Government (state and local)	87	1.3
Other	485	7.0

RACE:	Amount	Percent of Total
White	5,755	83.6
Other	1,126	16.3
SEX:		
Male	4,911	71.3
Female	1,970	28.6
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED		
1 - 4	1,889	25.9
5 - 14	3,664	50.4
15 and over	1,716	23.6
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	NA	NA
Clerical and sales	NA	NA
Service	NA	NA
Farm and related	NA	NA
Processing	NA	NA
Machine trades	NA	NA
Bench work	NA	NA
Structural work	NA	NA
Miscellaneous	NA	NA

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Omaha UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for February was 6,881. The Omaha UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER area is defined as Douglas and Sarpy Counties.

L I N C O L N S M S A [1/]

E S T I M A T E S O F L A B O R F O R C E D A T A [1/]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	Feb 1983	Jan 1983	Feb 1982	Jan 1983	Feb 1982
Civilian Labor Force	110,546	108,142	109,460	2,404	1,086
Employment	103,850	101,293	103,903	2,557	- 53
Nonfarm	102,101	99,584	102,222	2,517	- 121
Farm	1,749	1,709	1,681	40	68
Unemployment	6,696	6,849	5,557	- 153	1,139
Unemployment Rate	6.1	6.3	- 0.2	5.1	1.0

1/ The Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.
2/ Estimates are based on the March 1982 benchmark, and all months are comparable.
3/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force.

H I G H L I G H T S

The Lincoln SMSA civilian labor force had an increase of 2,404 for the month of February. The year-to-year increase of (1,086) represented a 0.9 percent increase over the year. Total employment increased between January 1983 and February 1983 by 2,557, but declined slightly (-53) from February 1982 to February 1983. Nonfarm employment rose by (2,517) between January and February 1983, but dropped by (-121), year-to-year. Farm employment increased slightly by (40) from January 1983 to February 1983. Farm employment increased by 68 between February 1982 and February 1983.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA decreased by (-153) from January 1983 to February 1983, but increased by (1,139) between February 1982 and February 1983. The unemployment rate declined in February 1983 by (-0.2), but showed an increase from a year ago of (1.0) percent.

ESTIMATES OF LINCOLN SMSA [1] NONFARM EMPLOYMENT DATA [2]

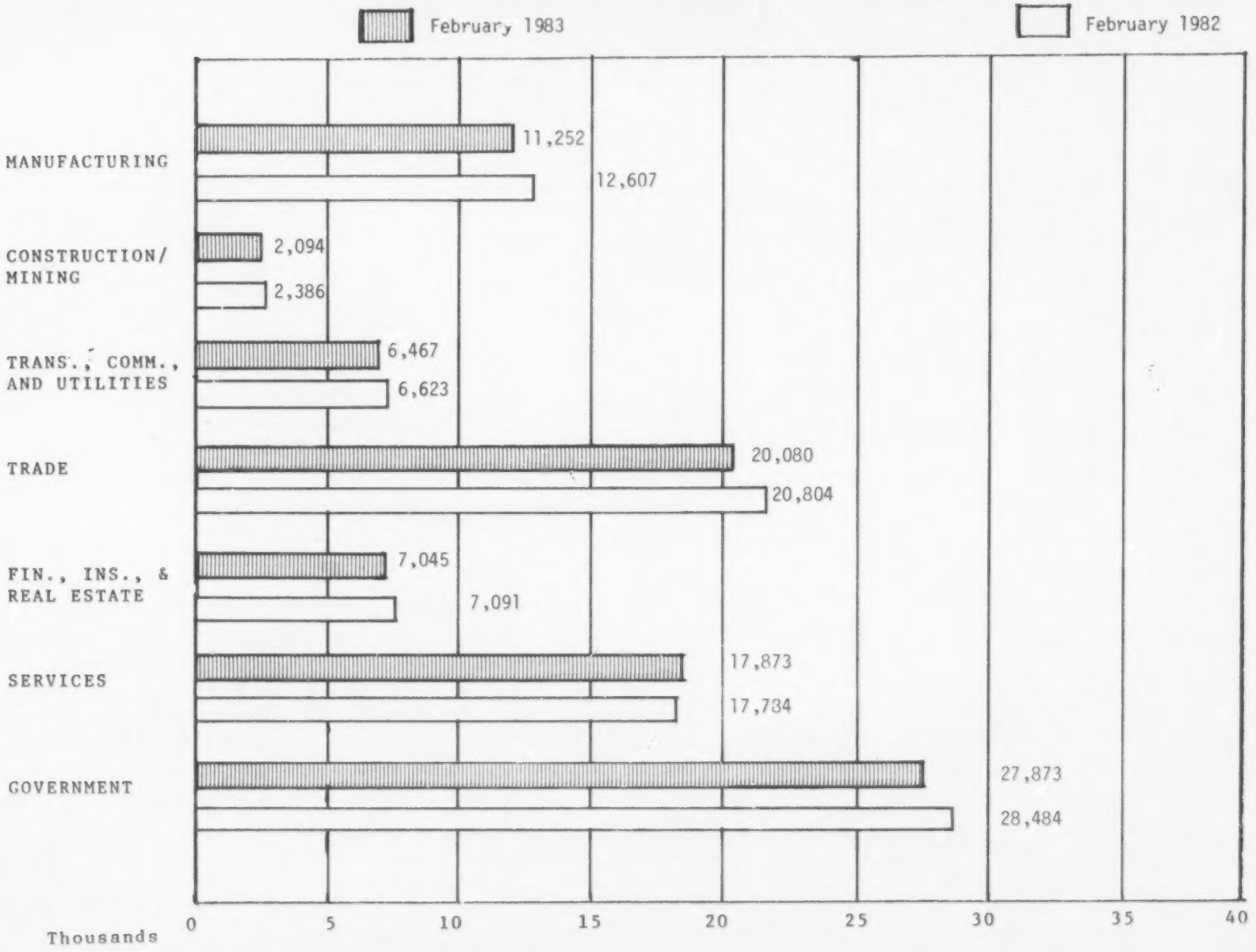
Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Feb 1983 [3]	Jan 1983 [4]	Feb 1982 [4]	Change From: Jan 1983	Change From: Feb 1982	Percent Change From: Feb 1982
NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	92,684	91,411	95,779	+ 1,273	- 3,095	- 3.2
MANUFACTURING	11,252	11,207	12,607	+ 45	- 1,355	- 10.7
Durable Goods	5,225	5,262	6,789	- 37	- 564	- 9.7
Construction Material	438	488	479	- 50	- 41	- 8.6
Lumber & Wood Products, Except Furniture	180	183	184	- 3	- 4	- 2.2
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Products	258	305	295	- 47	- 37	- 12.5
Furniture and Fixtures	64	78	116	- 14	- 52	- 44.8
Metals	874	892	920	- 18	- 46	- 5.0
Primary Metal Industries	58	56	54	+ 2	+ 4	+ 7.4
Fabricated Metal Prod., Except Mach. & Transp. Equip.	816	836	866	- 20	- 50	- 5.8
Machinery Except Electrical	326	315	591	+ 11	- 265	- 44.8
Farm Machinery & Equipment	15	17	15	- 2	0	0
Electrical & Electronic Machinery, Equip. & Supplies	1,493	1,438	1,435	+ 55	+ 58	+ 4.0
Transportation Equipment	1,609	1,626	1,801	- 17	- 192	- 10.7
Motor Vehicles & Motor Vehicle Equipment	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Other Durable Goods (Including Instruments; Toys & Sporting Goods; Costume Jewelry & Notions; etc.)	421	425	447	- 4	- 26	- 5.8
Nondurable Goods	6,027	5,946	6,813	+ 82	- 791	- 11.6
Food & Kindred Products	1,302	1,287	1,985	+ 15	- 683	- 34.4
Meat Products	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Dairy Products	197	198	233	- 1	- 36	- 15.5
Grain Mill	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Other Food Prod. (Incl. Canned & Preserved Prod.; Bakery Prod.; Sugar & Confect. Prod.; Beverages; etc.)	782	748	770	+ 34	+ 12	+ 1.6
Textile Products & Apparel	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	2,045	2,025	2,083	+ 20	- 38	- 1.8
Chemicals & Allied Products	912	893	870	+ 19	+ 42	+ 4.8
Other Nondurable Goods (Including Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics; Paper & Allied Products; etc.)	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
NONMANUFACTURING	81,090	80,204	83,172	+ 886	- 2,082	- 2.5
MINING	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
CONSTRUCTION	2,079	2,150	2,369	- 71	- 290	- 12.2
Building Const. - Gen. Cont. & Operative Builders	698	744	594	- 46	+ 104	+ 17.5
Construction Other Than Bldg. Const. - Gen. Contractors	292	284	319	+ 8	- 27	- 8.5
Construction - Special Trade Contractors	1,089	1,122	1,456	- 33	- 367	- 25.2
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION and UTILITIES	6,467	6,541	6,623	- 74	- 156	- 2.4
Railroad Transportation	2,268	2,370	2,383	- 102	- 115	- 2.2
Other Transportation (Including Buses and Taxicabs; Motor Freight Transportation & Warehousing; etc.)	1,226	1,217	1,144	+ 9	+ 82	+ 7.2
Communication & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	2,973	2,954	3,096	+ 19	- 123	- 4.0

TRADE	20,080	20,366	20,804	- 286	- 724	- 3.5
Wholesale	4,560	4,652	4,714	- 92	- 154	- 3.3
Durable Goods	2,391	2,409	2,416	- 18	- 25	- 1.0
Nondurable Goods	2,169	2,243	2,298	- 74	- 129	- 5.6
Retail	15,520	15,714	16,090	- 194	- 570	- 3.5
Bldg. Mat.; Hardware; Garden Supply & Mobile Home Dealers	570	574	565	- 4	+ 5	+ .9
General Merchandise Stores	1,824	1,930	2,184	- 106	- 360	- 16.5
Food Stores	1,870	1,894	1,873	- 24	- 3	- .2
Automotive Dealers & Gasoline Service Stations	2,036	2,040	2,026	- 4	+ 10	+ .5
Apparel & Accessory Stores	981	985	1,142	- 4	- 161	- 14.1
Furniture; Home Furnishings & Equipment Stores	487	491	536	- 4	- 49	- 9.1
Eating & Drinking Places	5,828	5,860	5,762	- 32	+ 66	+ 1.1
Miscellaneous Retail	1,924	1,940	2,002	- 16	- 78	- 3.9
Drug Stores & Proprietary Stores	622	631	588	- 9	+ 34	+ 5.8
Other Miscel. Retail (Including Liquor Stores; Sporting Good Stores; Jewelry; Florists; etc.)	1,302	1,309	1,414	- 7	- 112	- 7.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, and REAL ESTATE	7,045	7,063	7,091	- 18	- 46	- .6
Banking	1,309	1,307	1,355	+ 2	- 46	- 3.4
Insurance	3,879	3,888	3,890	- 9	- 11	- .3
Real Estate	731	731	686	0	+ 45	+ 6.6
Other Finance, Ins. & Real Estate (Incl. Credit Agencies Other Than Banks; Security & Commodity Exch. & Svcs.; etc.)	1,126	1,137	1,160	- 11	- 34	- 2.9
SERVICES Except DOMESTIC	17,873	17,821	17,784	+ 52	+ 89	+ .5
Hotels; Rooming Houses; Camps & Other Lodging Places	740	776	769	- 36	- 29	- 3.8
Personal Services	1,095	1,165	1,135	- 70	- 40	- 3.5
Business Services	3,675	3,579	3,305	+ 96	+ 370	+ 11.2
Automotive Repair; Services & Garages	408	406	422	+ 2	- 14	- 3.3
Amusement & Recreation	817	830	738	- 13	+ 79	+ 10.7
Health Services	5,667	5,654	5,620	+ 13	+ 47	+ .8
Educational Services	1,271	1,276	1,303	- 5	- 32	- 2.5
Social Services	855	841	887	+ 14	- 32	- 3.6
Membership Services	1,733	1,719	1,796	+ 14	- 63	- 3.5
Other Services (Including Legal & Other Prof. Services; Misc. Repair Services; Agricultural Services; etc.)	1,612	1,575	1,809	+ 37	- 197	- 10.9
GOVERNMENT	27,873	26,244	28,484	+1,629	- 611	- 2.2
Federal	2,040	2,035	2,039	+ 5	+ 1	0
State	15,869	14,353	16,413	+1,516	- 544	- 3.3
Local 6/	9,964	9,856	10,032	+ 108	- 68	- .7

1/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.
2/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program. Estimates are based on the March 1982 benchmark, and all months are comparable.
3/ Preliminary estimates.
4/ Revised.
5/ Data not available because of disclosure suppression.
6/ Local government includes all employment in political subdivisions below the state level, e.g., public schools and government-owned community educational facilities, city and village government, county government, government-owned health care facilities and other local governmental functions.

LINCOLN SMSA 1/ NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



1/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.

LINCOLN SMSA[1/] - WORK FORCE ANALYSIS

February 1983 In Review . . . . . .

The Lincoln SMSA nonfarm work force increased (1,273) from January 1983 to February 1983. This included an increase in both manufacturing (45) and nonmanufacturing (886). Durable goods showed a slight decline (-37) and nondurable goods increased by 82 for manufacturing.

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (1,629) and services except domestic (52). The primary increase in government was in state government of 1,516. The increase in services except domestic were scattered throughout the industry.

Month-to-month decreases occurred in trade (-286), transportation and public utilities (-74), construction and mining (-71), finance, insurance and real estate (-18).

The decline in trade occurred in primarily in retail general merchandise stores (-106). Railroad transportation accounted for the majority of the loss (-102) in transportation and public utilities.

Annual Changes . . . . . .

The Lincoln SMSA nonfarm work force decreased by 3,095 from February 1982 to February 1983. This included a drop of -1,355 in manufacturing and a decline of -2,082 in nonmanufacturing. The decrease in manufacturing included a decline in durable goods (-564) and a drop in nondurable goods (-791). The reduction in durable goods came in machinery except electrical (265), and transportation equipment (-173) primarily. The largest loss in nondurable goods occurred in food and kindred products (-683).

The only increase occurred in services except domestic (89). An increase in business services (370) more than offset decreases in other services (-197) and membership services (-63).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in trade (-724), government (-611), construction and mining (-292), transportation-communications-utilities (-156), finance, insurance and real estate (-46). The major loss in trade occurred in retail general merchandise stores (-360). State government showed the largest loss (-544) in government. Losses in special trade contractors (-367) more tnan offset a small increase in the general contractors (104) segment of this industry. The decrease in transportation-communications-utilities occurred primarily in communication, electric and sanitary services (-123). An increase in real estate of (45) was more than offset by decreases in all other segments of finance, insurance and real estate.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN LINCOLN SMSA [1] MANUFACTURING [2]

February 1983

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb 1983 [3]	Jan 1983 [4]	Feb 1982 [4]	Feb 1983 [3]	Jan 1983 [4]	Feb 1982 [4]	Feb 1983 [3]	Jan 1983 [4]	Feb 1982 [4]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$329.47	$327.84	$301.62	38.4	37.9	37.1	$ 8.58	$ 8.65	$ 8.13
Durable Goods	$300.66	$296.48	$291.80	36.8	37.2	37.7	$ 8.17	$ 7.97	$ 7.74
Machinery and Transportation Equipment	$321.75	$321.10	$313.97	37.5	38.0	39.1	$ 8.58	$ 8.45	$ 8.03
Nondurable Goods	$354.62	$355.89	$309.64	39.8	38.6	36.6	$ 8.91	$ 9.22	$ 8.46
Food and Kindred Products	$325.22	$324.66	$327.54	40.3	41.2	38.9	$ 8.07	$ 7.88	$ 8.42

1/ Lincoln SMSA defined as Lancaster County.

2/ Source of Data: Current Employment Statistics Program.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Lincoln SMSA manufacturing increased by $1.63 between January 1983 and February 1983, this included an increase in durable goods of $4.18, and a decrease in nondurable goods of $1.27. Manufacturing increased by $27.85 between February 1982 to February 1983. Average weekly earnings in durable goods increased by $8.86 and nondurable goods increased by $44.98 for the year between February 1982 and February 1983. Average weekly hours increased by 0.5 hours month-to-month and 1.3 hours between February 1982 and February 1983. Average hourly earnings declined by 0.07 from January 1983 to February 1983. Durable goods rose by 0.20 and nondurable goods went down by 0.31 month-to-month. Average hourly earnings in manufacturing increased by 0.45 for the year. Durable goods and nondurable goods increased by .43 and .45 cents respectively.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1/]

February 1983

AGE:	Amount	Percent of Total
Under 22	330	10.7
22-24	433	14.0
25-34	1,031	33.5
35-44	535	17.4
45-54	466	15.1
55-59	168	5.4
60-64	98	3.1
65 and over	11	0.3
INDUSTRY:		
Agriculture	37	1.2
Construction and mining	750	24.4
Manufacturing	936	30.5
Durable goods	282	9.2
Nondurable goods	654	21.3
Transportation, communication and utilities	97	3.2
Trade (wholesale and retail)	564	18.4
Finance, insurance and real estate	62	2.0
Services	383	12.5
Government (state and local)	112	3.6
Other	131	4.3

RACE:	Amount	Percent of Total
White	2,918	94.9
Other	154	5.0
SEX:		
Male	2,281	74.2
Female	791	25.7
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED		
1 - 4	730	22.7
5 - 14	1,906	59.4
15 and over	571	17.8
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	NA	NA
Clerical and sales	NA	NA
Service	NA	NA
Farm and related	NA	NA
Processing	NA	NA
Machine trades	NA	NA
Bench work	NA	NA
Structural work	NA	NA
Miscellaneous	NA	NA

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Lincoln UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for February was 3,072. The Lincoln UI AREA CLAIMS CENTER area is defined as Lancaster County.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

U. S. CITY AVERAGE

February 1983

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	293.2	0.0	3.5	292.3	0.1	3.3
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	281.6	0.3	2.1	282.1	0.4	2.2
Food	289.0	0.3	2.0	289.3	0.3	2.1
Food at home	280.3	0.4	0.8	279.7	0.4	1.0
Cereals and bakery products	288.7	0.3	2.8	287.4	0.3	2.7
Meats, poultry, fish, & eggs	264.0	0.4	2.8	263.9	0.4	2.9
Dairy products	249.7	0.1	1.3	249.1	0.1	1.3
Fruits and vegetables	278.1	0.7	-7.8	274.5	0.7	-7.7
Other foods at home	338.2	0.3	2.3	339.1	0.4	2.3
Food away from home	315.2	0.2	4.6	318.4	0.2	4.7
Alcoholic beverages	213.3	0.8	3.7	215.6	0.9	3.9
HOUSING	318.5	0.2	3.6	317.6	0.2	3.6
Shelter	339.2	0.3	2.9	338.8	0.3	2.6
*Renters' Costs	101.2	0.4	-			
Rent, Residential	233.1	0.4	6.6	232.5	0.3	6.6
Other Renters' Costs	340.8	0.5	7.5	339.0	0.5	7.4
*Homeowners' Costs	100.9	0.2	-	376.9	0.3	1.6
Fuel and other utilities	364.6	-0.2	8.2	365.9	-0.2	8.3
Fuels	461.5	-0.4	7.9	461.2	-0.5	8.1
Fuel oil, coal & bottled gas	654.0	-2.5	-4.3	656.0	-2.6	-4.4
Gas (piped) & electricity	414.5	0.2	12.4	413.8	0.2	12.7
Household furnishings & operation	236.7	0.4	2.8	233.4	0.3	3.0
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	192.0	0.5	2.1	191.0	0.5	2.0
Men's & boy's apparel	184.4	-0.3	2.8	184.8	-0.2	3.0
Women's & girl's apparel	155.7	1.2	0.6	157.2	1.2	0.1
Footwear	205.6	0.4	1.4	205.2	0.3	0.9
TRANSPORTATION	289.9	-1.1	0.7	291.1	-1.1	0.5
Private transportation	285.2	-1.1	0.2	287.6	-1.1	0.2
Public transportation	355.2	-0.7	5.5	347.7	-0.6	5.0
MEDICAL CARE	351.3	1.0	11.0	348.9	1.0	10.8
Medical care services	381.5	1.1	11.4	378.2	1.1	11.0
ENTERTAINMENT	243.1	0.7	5.1	239.5	0.8	5.0
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	281.6	0.6	12.5	279.6	0.6	13.2
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	341.0			339.9		
*December 1982=100						
ALL ITEMS - OLD METHOD						
(1967=100)	292.8	0.1	3.3			
(1957-59=100)	340.6					

PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES [1/] (1967 = 100)
(Previously Wholesale Price Index)

SELECTED COMMODITY GROUPINGS	INDEX (Not Seasonally Adjusted)	
	Feb. 1983	Oct. 1982
ALL COMMODITIES	301.2	299.8
Farm Products and Processed Foods and Feeds	249.9	243.8
Farm Products	240.8	229.2
Processed Foods and Feeds	253.9	250.8
Industrial Commodities	314.4	314.3
Machinery and Equipment	283.6	281.1
Transportation and Equipment (Dec 1968 = 100)	257.3	256.0
Other Commodity Groupings		
Grains	222.4	183.2
Livestock	251.1	248.5
Plant and Animal Fibers	206.4	198.1
Hay, Hayseeds and Oilseeds	217.9	194.3
Other Farm Products	282.0	274.0
Agricultural Chemicals and Products	282.5	288.8

1/ Source of data: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. Producer Price Indexes measure average changes in prices received in primary markets of the United States by producers of commodities in all stages of processing. The sample includes nearly 2,800 commodities and about 10,000 quotations selected to represent the movement of prices of all commodities produced in the manufacturing, agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, gas and electricity, and public utilities sectors. The universe includes all commodities produced or imported for sale in commercial transactions in primary markets in the Unites States.